Table 1. New One-Family Houses Sold, For Sale, and Months' Supply at Current Sales Rate

(Number of houses in thousands)

	(Number of nouses in thousands) Houses sold during period					Houses for sale at end of period					Months' supply at
Month and year	United States	North- east	Midwest	South	West	United States	North- east	Midwest	South	West	current sales rate/1
	1a. Seasonally adjusted (houses sold at annual rate)										
1998: October November December	903 985 958	76 91 84	176 161 177	393 438 438	259 295 259	293 292 295					4.0 3.7 3.8
1999: January February March April May June July/r August/r September/r	908 909 885 952 914 932 929 923 848	83 79 77 81 70 65 84 86	149 178 158 177 178 167 176 196	408 440 395 422 422 430 425 382 368	268 212 255 272 245 270 245 258 227	295 297 300 300 304 306 305 307 310					4.0 3.9 4.1 3.8 4.1 3.9 4.0 4.1 4.5
October/p	986	73	240	406	268	312					3.9
Average relative standard error (%)	4	19	12	6	7	3					5
	1b. Not seasonally adjusted										
1997 1998	804 886	78 81	140 164	363 398	223 243	287 300		65 63	127 142	69 68	
Average relative standard error (%)	2	6	7	3	4	3	10	6	4	6	(X)
1998: First 10 months 1999: First 10 months	755 791	71 67	143 154	335 352	206 218	(X) (X)	(X) (X)	(X) (X)	(X) (X)	(X) (X)	
Average relative standard error (%)	2	6	6	3	2	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
1998: October	69	6	13	31	20	296	25	64	138	69	4.3
1999: July/r August/r September/r	80 82 66	7 9 7	15 17 13	37 34 28	21 23 18	305 305 312	26 25 25	61 61 63	147 148 153	72 70 72	3.7
October/p	75	5	18	31	20	314	26	64	155	70	4.2
Average relative standard error (%)	4	19	12	6	7	3	11	7	5	4	5

See footnotes below Table 2.

Table 2. Median and Mean Sales Prices

(Dollars. Includes value of improved lot)

Month and year	Median	Mean	Month and year	Median	Mean	
1997 1998	146,000 152,500	176,200 181,900	1999: September/r	159,900	193,900	
1998: October	155,000	182,700	October/p	159,000	198,900	
1999: July/r August/r	157,900 155,000	*	Average relative standard error Annual(%) Monthly(%)	2 4	2 2	

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1/Ratio of houses for sale to houses sold.

Average relative standard error (Avg. RSE): Annual - Avg. RSE for the last 2 years. Year to date - Avg. RSE for the current period and the same period last year. Monthly - Avg. RSE for the latest 6 month period (January-June or July-December).